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for shipping alone. This was the only shipment delivered under the terms of the agreement described above.

In 1948, Professor Barta and Czechoslovak experts working in the factories at Merklin, in Czechoslovakia, established that excellent porcelain could be made from Yugoslav raw materials, but the results of this research were never officially reported to the Yugoslav representatives, and no offer was made to deliver a single plant.

The only successful transaction ever made with Czechoslovakia, according to Minister Petrovic, was the purchase of the small "S"up" Porcelain Factory in Sarajevo. However, in April 1949 the delivery of machinery for this factory was cancelled, although credit had been arranged on time and the machinery was all ready for shipment.

LEATHER INDUSTRY WAGES RISE -- Rad, No 163, 11 Jul 49

According to a speech by Josip Czzi, federal Minister of Light Industry, the average monthly wage in the Yugoslav leather and shoe industry in 1948 was 2,900 dinars, as compared with 3,550 dinars this year.

In comparison with 1939, when the Yugoslav leather and shoe industry was already well developed, the amount of leather processed in 1946 was 63 percent of the prewar figure in 1947, 99 percent; in 1948, 114 percent; and this year, 164 percent. Whereas 1.54 kilograms of leather per capita was processed in Yugoslavia in 1939, the figure was 1.01 kilograms in 1946, 1.59 kilograms in 1947, 2.21 kilograms in 1948, and 2.57 kilograms in 1949.

During the first 5 months of this year, 1,874 new workers were employed in the Borovo leather and shoe combine, while 1,413 left. Quality of shoe production at such a fully-mechanized, highly-productive factory depends in a large measure upon a force of permanent workers, who personally control the thickness of the leather, the softness, the purity of the fat and moisture, the sewing, and other processes, and who develop skill with long experience.

OPTICAL GLASS NOW MADE IN SERBIA -- Politika, No 13296, 22 Jul 49

Paracin -- The Serbian Glass Factory in Paracin has begun the production of glass for spectacle lenses.

Master-workman Josko Pap has designed and built a mold for glass in which flat glass can be made into spherical glass for heliographic apparatus.

Recently two foremen at the factory discovered a new and much more economical method of drying glass vases. This method is unknown abroad.

"DUNAV" ENTERPRISE MAKES SPOOLS -- Politika, No 13285, 9 Jul 49

The "Dunav" Wood-processing Enterprise in Apatin is now making satisfactory equipment, including shuttles and spools, for the textile industry. Formerly, such items had to be imported. Using old shuttles and spools as patterns, the "Dunav" enterprise succeeded in developing machinery to make new ones that will satisfy the needs of the Yugoslav textile industry both in quality and quantity, making further importation of these items unnecessary.

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